Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church

A Roman Catholic Community of African American Tradition

"We've Come This Far By Faith"



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January 9, 2022 The Baptism of the Lord



'Baptism of Christ' by David Zelenka (2005)

The grace of God has appeared, saving all.

All grace we receive - actual and sanctifying - comes through God's kindness, generous love, and mercy. Nothing we do merits this gift, or the salvation it provides. Through the sacraments, first among them baptism, we are infused with the Holy Spirit and made heirs in hope of eternal life.

We worship every Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

New Members Welcome!

Sunday, January 9, 2022

Rev. John Crowley—Bequest





Please pray for the sick of the parish and for family and friends of parishioners: Earl & Phyllis Barnes, Julie Coe, Morris Doucette, Tom Fugate, Denise McGowan, Yvette Reaves, Margaret Saint Joy, Carolyn Walker, Alice Walters

Bible Readings for Sunday, January 9, 2022

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

Bible Readings for Sunday, January 16, 2022

Isaiah 62:1-5

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

John 2:1-11

<u>Sunday, January 9, 2022</u>

Reader I & II—Keith Parris

<u>Sunday, January 16, 2022</u>

Reader I & II—Joanie Fraver

Sunday, January 23, 2022

Reader I & II—TBA

Sunday, January 30, 2022

Reader I & II—Walter DeRouen



Earl Barnes
Phyllis Barnes
Nellie Bostick
Rev. Robert Bradler
Sandra Brooks
Alex Cooper
Lauren DeRouen
Tom Fugate
Joyce Gainey
Christopher Hicuburundi
Scholastique Hicuburundi
Ruth Johnstone

Yvette Reaves

James Walker

Shelly Smith



Offerings for January 2, 2022

Offerings: \$3,269 Attendance: 54

Online Giving: \$280 Online Givers: 4

New Year's Day: \$535 Attendance: 24

Thank you for your generous support.



Mon. Jan. 17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day—Office Closed

Wed. Jan. 26 Finance Council Mtg.—5:30 pm

Sat. Jan. 29 St. Joseph's House of Hospitality



\$5,250 has been contributed towards the church's building fund.

January Christian Action



Do little acts of kindness:

- * Say God bless you!
- * Hold the door open for someone!
- * Let someone go ahead of you!
- * Say please and thank you!
- * Listen instead of speak!
- * Pray for someone!



The 2022 Mass Intention book is now available to schedule Mass Intentions. Please call or stop by the office to schedule Mass Intentions. The offering is \$10

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped support the families of the Eastern Service Workers Association for Christmas. Your generosity is always appreciated and a blessing to those you helped provide for during the holiday season.



CMA UPDATE

Special thanks to the 25 families who have contributed \$7,295 to this year's appeal. We have exceeded our goal and achieved 101.12% of our CMA goal! Please consider making a gift today. See George Fontenette or Colleen Brade for details.

Thank you to all the Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's volunteers who prepared the meal and served at St. Joseph's House of Hospitality on



Christmas Day. Your kindness was truly appreciated.

Offering **Envelopes**

REMINDER

If you attend another local Catholic church on the weekend, you can place your Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's donation envelope in their collection basket and your donation will be returned to us.



Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester

Victims of sexual abuse should always report the civil authorities. To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator:

Deborah A. Housel

585-328-3228, ext. 1555 Toll Free: 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555 or by e-mail to victimsassistance@dor.org

We end our Christmas season by celebrating the Baptism of the Lord and remembering our own rebirth in Baptism. Baptism is more than a monetary event in our lives. It is a way of life. We live or should live as Baptized people ... people who have been welcomed into a community of faith ... a community not made of perfect individuals but of people who together are trying to make the Kingdom of God a more visible reality in our society.

The Gospel accounts stress the presence of the Holy Spirit at the Baptism of our Lord. This same Holy Spirit was present at our Baptism and continues to be with us throughout our life gifting us with what we need to face our life tasks in a truly Christian way.

We are the beloved children of God. God's favor rests upon us. As we move from the Christmas season back into "ordinary time" it is the grace of our own Baptism that will enable us to see God in the everyday events of our day and to celebrate His presence. Let us pray that we remain open and responsive to God in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of our day.

JUST A REMINDER

Please mail all correspondence to: Immaculate Conception/St. Bridget's Church 34 Monica Street, Rochester NY 14619

Thank you



WE ARE IN NEED OF WARM, CLEAN COATS, HATS, SCARVES, AND GLOVES FOR MEN, WOMEN, TEENS, AND CHILDREN.

(AND WINTER ACCESSORIES)

ST. MONICA'S ANNUAL COAT GIVEAWAY: SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 1:00-3:00 PM.



Donations can be brought to the office Monday-Friday from 10:00am-2:00pm -ring the bell at the front office door-

or to Mass to the box in the narthex until January 13.

To arrange another drop-off time, contact jessica.tette@dor.org.

THANK YOU FOR KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY WARM! Stoonica

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality	BUCKMAN'S PLAZA 2590 W. Ridge Road, Rochester 14626 Visit our two new stores Twisted Dolls Hair Braiding Salon and Consignkids Clothing and more. City Mattress, Visionworks, Pino's Deli, Megan Nail Spa, Red Cross, Sign Impressions, Greece Chiropractic, Orville's Appliances.	
A Rochester, NY Catholic Worker Community 402 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607 585-232-3262		
Corn Hill Neighborhood Association 133 S. Fitzhugh Street Rochester, NY 14608 www.cornill.org	Mileage Master Center of Rochester 2488 Browncroft Blvd. Rochester, NY 14625 585-586-1870 The perfect place for all of your grilling needs	Tom Zubert, Realtor RE/MAX REALTY GROUP 585-721-1313 zubert.tom@gmail.com (ICS Graduate)
In Loving Memory of the QUAMINA & HARPER FAMILIES Love Gail, Elise, Joyce, Richard	In Loving Memory of My Wife ILONA WHITE	Skips on the Ridge 640 West Ridge Road Rochester, NY 14615
In Loving Memory of HENRY FAISON JR. Love Mom, George, Adrian, Andre	Alphonse White Prayerful Remembrance of the Gordons ARTHUR, SARAH, PEGGY, BUD, BOB, NANCY, GARY Blessings Bill & Family	585-865-3896 In Loving Memory of JOE HAUSER The Wingo Family
In Loving Memory of DR. NATHANIEL HURST The Wingo Family	In Loving Memory of DAVID MILES Love your Wife & Children	In Prayerful Remembrance of the Deceased Members of the CULLEN & CORRAL FAMILIES Love Ralph & Maureen
In Loving Memory of JAMES STOKES	In Loving Memory of JAMES WALTERS	In Loving Memory of JEFFREY WALTERS
The Stokes Family In Loving Memory of DOUGLAS SIMMONS Alice Walters	Alice Walters In Loving Memory of GILBERT & CHARITY ADIELE The Nwokelo Family	Alice Walters In Loving Memory of RITA VIOLET AUGUSTINE & ADA FULLWOOD The Augustine/Fullwood Families
In Loving Memory of CREÓLE MON'AE FONTENETTE Love your Grandparents	In Loving Memory of JOSEPH RONALD WEBER Roxana C. Weber	In Loving Memory of SARAH & DONALD GORDON & HENRY BELL SR. The Gordon/Bell Families
For all Deceased Families, Friends & Parishioners of Immaculate Conception / St. Bridget's Church Love Rose Stokes	In Loving Memory of JOANNE LESSLEY Joanne Gordon	In Loving Memory of MARY JACKSON Thomas & Nellie Bostick
In Loving Memory of ALL THE DECEASED DOUCETTE FAMILY Love Louise & Shannon	In Loving Memory of SARAH ANN GORDON Louise & Shannon	In Loving Memory of MICHAEL NWOKELO SR. The Nwokelo Family